
KECO MILLING CO:

Mr. Leonard McElroy, a citizen of Weakley County, and Mr. Jack Brummitt and Mr. Funderbank, who are members of the City Board and Chamber of Commerce of the Town of McKenzie, came before the Court in behalf of the Keco Milling Company, who owns 12 acres of land in Weakley County, and upon which is built their mill, and

asked that this Company's taxes be decreased. The Company is now assessed at \$85,000.00 and asked that the taxes be decreased to \$40,000.00. This decrease is being asked so that the Keco Milling Company can in conjunction with the University of Tennessee go into the experimenting of a broiler business and piggery, and, if this Company does go forward with this plan that their taxes not be increased in the future years. These men appeared as a matter of civic duty and in the interest of the economic welfare of Weakley and surrounding Counties, in that, it would be a great economic loss if this Milling Company should sell out, or close down, which is very likely if taxes cannot be decreased. This Mill employs several men, and one woman. It was pointed out that this section of the country needs employment for men.

Esq. Tillman Westbrook made the suggestion that this matter be looked into and studied by the County Tax Committee.

THEREUPON, Esq. U. M. Fuller made motion, seconded by Esq. M. A. Miles, that this matter be referred to the County Tax Committee for consideration and study and let this Committee report to the Court at its January Term, 1959, its findings and recommendations.

THEREUPON, Esq. C. R. Castellaw called attention to the fact that there was an Industrial Committee of the County, and he asked that the above motion be amended to include the Industrial Committee to work in conjunction with the Tax Committee on this matter, and these two Committees make their report to the January Term of the Court. This amendment was seconded by Esq. Robert Kennedy.

THEREUPON, Esq. D. Z. Grooms made motion to amend by adding three members of the Quarterly Court, which three members would be appointed by the County Judge, to work with the two above mentioned Committees on this matter, and all of these Committees report their findings and recommendations to the January Term of the Court. Esq. Dalton Glover seconded this amendment.

UPON, such motion and amendments to the motion being put to a vote by the Judge, such motion and the amendments were carried by an unanimous voice vote of the Court.

THEREUPON, Judge Pentecost appointed the following members of the Court to serve on this Committee, namely: Esq. E. L. Lemonds, Esq. Steve Nunn, and Esq. Jack Jolley.